

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 65th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON STATE ADMINISTRATION

Call to Order: Chair Forrest Mandeville, on February 15, 2017 at 8:00 AM, in Room 455 Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Forrest Mandeville, Chair (R)
Rep. Bryce Bennett, Vice Chair (D)
Rep. Wendy McKamey, Vice Chair (R)
Rep. Jacob Bachmeier (D)
Rep. Geraldine Custer (R)
Rep. John Fleming (D)
Rep. Frank Garner (R)
Rep. Edward Greef (R)
Rep. Denise Hayman (D)
Rep. Dennis R. Lenz (R)
Rep. Jean Price (D)
Rep. Walt Sales (R)
Rep. Ray L. Shaw (R)
Rep. Scott Staffanson (R)
Rep. Kathy Swanson (D)
Rep. Peggy Webb (R)

Members Excused:

Rep. Karjala (D)
Rep. A. Knudsen (R)
Rep. Skees (R)
Rep. Webber (D)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Joanne Kauzlarich, Committee Secretary
Sheri Scurr, Legislative Branch

Audio Committees: These minutes are in outline form only. They provide a list of participants and a record of official action taken by the committee. The link to the audio recording of the meeting is available on the Legislative Branch website.

Committee Business Summary:

Hearing & Date Posted: HB 388, 2/9/2017; HB 397, 2/9/2017

HEARING ON HB 397

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:02:43 Rep. Geraldine Custer (R), HD 39, opened the hearing on HB 397, Revise polling place hours.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:05:14 Regina Plettenberg, Montana Association Clerk and Records (MACR)

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:07:28 Chair Mandeville
00:07:56 Rep. Custer
00:08:24 Chair Mandeville
00:08:25 Rep. Custer
00:08:45 Rep. Fleming
00:09:27 Rep. Custer
00:10:17 Chair Mandeville
00:10:44 Rep. Custer
00:11:07 Chair Mandeville
00:11:26 Rep. Custer
00:11:42 Rep. Staffanson
00:12:09 Rep. Custer
00:13:09 Rep. McKamey
00:13:27 Rep. Custer
00:13:39 Rep. Sales
00:14:09 Rep. Custer
00:16:05 Rep. Price
00:16:47 Regina Plettenberg, MACR
00:17:20 Rep. Price
00:17:29 Regina Plettenberg, MACR
00:17:45 Rep. Lenz
00:18:03 Rep. Custer

Closing by Sponsor:

00:18:21 Rep. Custer

HEARING ON HB 388

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:20:33 Rep. Greg Hertz (R), HD 12, opened the hearing on HB 388, Revise irrigation district election laws.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:24:46 Johanna Clark, Montana Cattleman Association (MCA)
00:28:54 Regina Plettenberg, Montana Association of Clerks and Records (MACR)

Opponents' Testimony:

00:30:28 Mike Murphy, Montana Water Resources Association (MWRA)
00:33:32 Krista Lee Evans, Senior Water Rights Coalition
00:35:24 Levi Ostberg, Montana Farmers Union (MFU)

Informational Testimony: None**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

00:36:21 Rep. Hayman
00:36:49 Johanna Clark, MCA
00:37:21 Rep. Bennett
00:37:51 Mike Murphy, MWRA
00:38:46 Rep. Staffanson
00:39:04 Mike Murphy, MWRA
00:39:17 Rep. Sales
00:39:40 Johanna Clark, MCA
00:39:44 Rep. Sales
00:40:03 Johanna Clark, MCA
00:40:24 Rep. Sales
00:40:33 Johanna Clark, MCA
00:40:50 Rep. Fleming
00:41:28 Johanna Clark, MCA
00:45:09 Rep. Custer
00:45:40 Johanna Clark, MCA
00:47:07 Rep. McKamey
00:47:37 Rep. Hertz
00:48:16 Rep. McKamey
00:48:21 Sheri Scurr, Legislative Services Division (LSD)
00:49:00 Rep. McKamey
00:49:28 Krista Lee Evans, Senior Water Rights Coalition
00:50:12 Rep. Sales
00:51:05 Johanna Clark, MCA
00:53:29 Rep. Shaw left meeting
00:53:44 Rep. Sales
00:54:11 Johanna Clark, MCA
00:54:22 Rep. Sales
00:54:35 Johanna Clark, MCA
00:55:12 Rep. Price
00:55:46 Johanna Clark, MCA
00:56:59 Rep. Custer
00:57:20 Johanna Clark, MCA
00:57:23 Rep. Custer
00:57:35 Johanna Clark, MCA
00:57:41 Rep. Garner
00:57:51 Johanna Clark, MCA
00:58:03 Rep. Shaw rejoined meeting
00:58:49 Rep. Staffanson
00:59:06 Johanna Clark, MCA
00:59:50 Rep. Custer
01:00:18 Johanna Clark, MCA

01:00:46 Rep. McKamey
01:01:10 Rep. Hertz
01:01:38 Sheri Scurr, LSD
01:02:15 Rep. Sales
01:02:58 Johanna Clark, MCA

Closing by Sponsor:

01:03:39 Rep. Hertz

01:05:54 Chair Mandeville

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 01:07:32

Joanne Kauzlarich, Secretary

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